

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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1. Iran-Kurds

a. Tehran is playing both sides in the Iraqi-Kurd dispute.

b. The Iranian foreign minister told our charge in Tehran that border controls would be tightened to quell Baghdad's fear that massive assistance is getting to the Iraqi Kurds from the Iranian Kurds.

c. However, no publicity was to be given to this move and Tehran is not likely to pull the rug from under the Kurds by cutting off aid and contact entirely.

d. Tehran wants to keep the Kurdish resistance alive in Iraq as a counterbalance to pan-Arabism, which it fears more than the Kurds, but at the same time keep its own Kurds quiet.

2. Greece

a. George Papandreou's Union of the Center has withdrawn its support of Pipinelis' caretaker government and--with the aid of the left-wing parties--promises to vote against the government and boycott the elections.

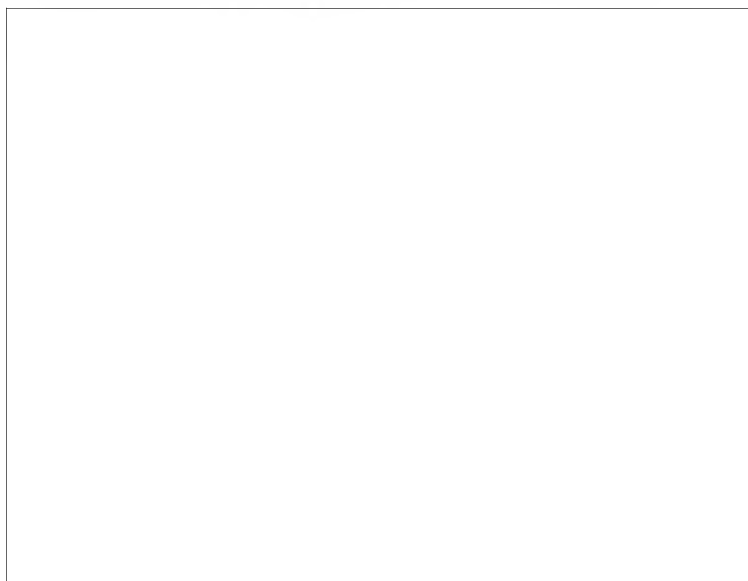
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b. Papandreou believes the interim cabinet is too heavily loaded with those who managed the disputed 1961 election and presumably favor Karamanlis.

c. Pipinelis probably cannot be overthrown (he is backed by 180 seats of 300), but the elections promise to be stormy.

3. UAR-Yemen

a. There are further signs of Egyptian use of some sort of gas against the Royalists in Yemen.



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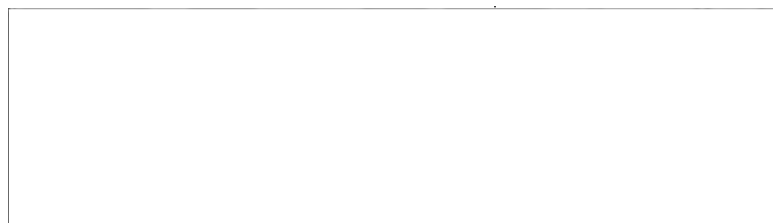
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4. Cuba

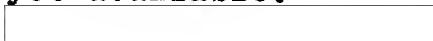
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e. Results of yesterday's
photography of the Ivan Polzunov
unloading in Havana harbor are not
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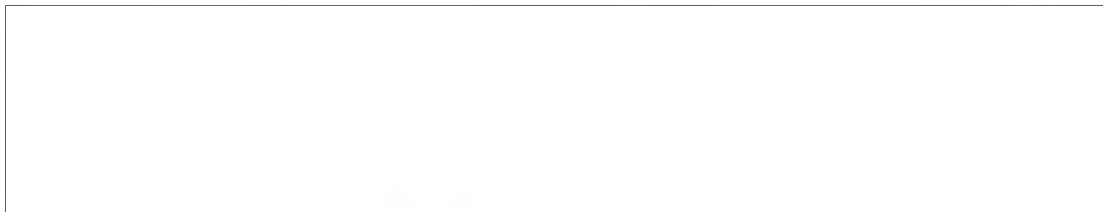


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- B. Argentina Interior Minister Osiris Villegas and presidential candidate Solano Lima are on a collision course. Villegas issued a decree on Wednesday that Lima's Peronist-backed party would not be able to present national or provincial candidates in the 7 July elections. Lima retorted in a TV program Thursday that no one could take away his anticipated 7 million votes and refused to acknowledge the decree's existence. Rumor has it that the elections will now be suspended or postponed for 60 days.

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- D. Laos The press reports that the Pathet Lao have opened an attack against the reinforced rightist troops around Attapeu. We have no confirmation from official sources, but such a move would be of a piece with recent Communist moves in south and central Laos.

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E. UAR-USSR The Egyptians have announced that Vice President Amir negotiated a \$44 million economic credit during his recent visit to Moscow.

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